

COVID-19 CARES Grants - Create in Utah



The Division of Arts & Museums within the Department of Heritage and Arts will administer a \$9 million grant program to cultural, zoological, and botanical organizations that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Grants of up to \$1,000,000 will be provided to nonprofit and for-profit organizations in Utah who will commit to a public event or activity to take place prior to June 30, 2021, with a cultural, zoological, or botanical component. Any cultural, zoological, or botanical organization with a budget of more than \$5 million within Utah can apply. Amount of grant can be up to twice the budget of the proposed event/activity.

Applications will be accepted beginning July 13, 2020. The application period will close on July 27, 2020, and applications will be subsequently reviewed by a committee made up of Arts & Museums staff and Board members, as well as key leaders in the cultural community. Expenditures must be made by December 31, 2020.

Criteria includes but is not limited to:

- Mission/purpose of organization - how they are qualified in this work
- Previous three years' annual organizational budget (must be \$5 million or more)
- Current organizational budget
- Demonstrated impact of COVID-19 to organization's finances
- Detail of proposed event/activity and audience
- Budget and timeline for this event/activity

Review Panelists:

Division of Arts & Museums staff, board members, and key leaders in the cultural community

Tentative Timeline:

Application opens July 13, 2020

Application closes July 27, 2020

Awards announced August 12, 2020

Distribution begins upon receipt of contract